

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A brush holder device for use in a small-size motor including a brush arm connected at one end to an input terminal for external electrical connection and supporting at an opposite end a brush, comprising:

[[the]] a brush including an integrally formed engagement portion;

5 a brush arm having an engagement hole formed therein, the engagement hole assuming substantially the same shape as that of the engagement portion of said brush, and including brush arm brush contact portions located at laterally opposite edges of the engagement hole; and

10 a holder having an engagement hole formed therein and holder brush contact portions formed via bending, the engagement hole assuming substantially the same shape as that of the engagement portion of said brush, ~~and being fixedly attached~~ said holder being fixed to said brush arm such that the engagement hole of said holder is aligned with [[that]] the engagement hole of said brush arm, said brush arm brush contact portions extending through said engagement holder of said holder, whereby one of said brush arm contact portions is adjacent  
15 one of said holder brush contact portions;

wherein said holder brush contact portions are formed on said holder along opposite edges defining said engagement hole of said holder, one edge of said holder being opposite another edge of said holder in a longitudinal direction of said brush arm, [[the]] said engagement portion of said brush [[is]] being press-fitted into the engagement holes of said  
20 holder and said brush arm, whereby said engagement portion of said brush is fixed to said holder

and said brush arm via said holder brush contact portions and said brush arm brush contact portions ~~which are fixedly attached to each other, to thereby be fixed in place.~~

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) A brush holder device for use in a small-size motor according to claim 1, wherein said holder includes fins formed through bending along opposite ends thereof, the ends being opposite ~~[[along]]~~ in a longitudinal direction of said brush arm.

4. (New) A brush holder device, comprising:

a brush including an integrally formed engagement portion;

a brush arm having a defined engagement hole, said engagement hole having substantially the same shape as that of said engagement portion of said brush, said brush arm including a first brush contact portion located at one edge defining said engagement hole and a second brush contact portion located at another edge defining said engagement hole, said first brush contact portion being opposite said second brush contact portion; and

a holder having a defined brush receiving hole, said brush receiving hole having substantially the same shape as that of the engagement portion of said brush, said holder including a third brush contact portion located at an edge defining said brush receiving hole and a fourth brush contact portion located at another edge defining said brush receiving hole, said third brush contact portion being opposite said fourth brush contact portion, said holder being

connected to said brush arm such that said engagement hole aligns with said brush receiving hole, said engagement portion of said brush extending through said engagement hole and said bush receiving hole such that said first, second, third and fourth brush contact portions engage said engagement portion, whereby said brush is connected to said holder and said brush arm.

5. (New) A brush holder device according to claim 4, wherein said holder includes fins formed through bending along opposite ends thereof, the ends being opposite along a longitudinal direction of said brush arm.

6. (New) A brush holder device, comprising:

a brush including an integrally formed engagement portion;

a first brush mounting element having a defined engagement hole, said engagement hole having substantially the same shape as that of said engagement portion of said brush, said first brush mounting element including a first brush contact portion located at one edge defining said engagement hole and a second brush contact portion located at another edge defining said engagement hole, said first brush contact portion being opposite said second brush contact portion; and

a second brush mounting element having a defined brush receiving hole, said brush receiving hole having substantially the same shape as that of the engagement portion of said brush, said second brush mounting element including a third brush contact portion located at an edge defining said brush receiving hole and a fourth brush contact portion located at another

edge defining said bush receiving hole, said third brush contact portion being opposite said fourth brush contact portion, said holder being connected to said brush arm such that said engagement hole is in alignment with said brush receiving hole, said first brush contact portion and said second brush contact portion extending through said brush receiving hole, said engagement portion of said brush extending through said engagement hole and said bush receiving hole such said first, second, third and fourth brush contact portions are in direct contact with said engagement portion, whereby said brush is connected to said holder and said brush arm via said first, second, third and fourth brush contact portions.

7. (New) A brush holder device according to claim 6, wherein said holder includes fins formed through bending along opposite ends thereof, the ends being opposite along a longitudinal direction of said brush arm.